



Hippophae rhamnoides 'Hergo'



Height	2-4 m
Width	2-4m
Crown	broad vase-shaped, dark, dense crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	grey
Leaf	green, grey-green
Autumn colour	yellow
Flowers	yellow
Fruits	yellow, orange
Spines/thorns	Yes
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil, nutrient-poor soil
Soil moisture	suitable for dry soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	4 (-34,4 to -28,9 °C)
Wind resistance	very good, also sea wind
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, resistant to de-icing salt
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, resistant to de-icing salt, provides food for birds
Application	tree containers, coastal areas, small gardens, patio gardens

'Hergo' grows into a sturdy shrub or small tree with a broad oval crown and slightly arching twigs. It is a fairly strong-growing cultivar with somewhat more regular branching and therefore a more regular shape than the species *H. rhamnoides*. The twigs are relatively thin and not very densely covered with thorns. 'Hergo' is a female cultivar whose bright orange fruits ripen around the beginning of September. The fruits are ovoid to short cylindrical.

The fruit stalks are not very strong and the fruits are relatively loose on the branches. According to German research, this makes 'Hergo' the best cultivar for harvesting fruit by machine. This also makes this cultivar suitable for large-scale buckthorn fruiting. To produce fruit, pollination by a male cultivar ('Pollmix') must take place. Hardiness zone 4.